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TRUSTEES' MEETING

Big Price Asked for Forty Feet of Spite-Fence—Mr. Brand to Buy in Tropico Water Plant For City.

Thursday, Oct. 17, 1912.

All the officers and members of the board present except Trustee Dr. Andrew O. Conrad, who, with all the other physicians and surgeons of the city, is at Clara Barton hospital in attendance on Pierre Gabaig, in the vain hope of bringing this most worthy of our highly respected citizens back to life.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved as read.

The bond of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company in the sum of \$1000 for the faithful performance of its duties to the city and its inhabitants under the provisions of the franchise heretofore granted it by the board, was presented, approved and ordered filed.

City Marshal Gould submitted offers to furnish the Indian, Flanders and Thor motorcycles at differing prices, the differences supposed to arise from differences of equipment, time of delivery, etc. The marshal was therefore instructed to obtain sealed bids for furnishing the machines, each bid to specify what extra attachments, if any, are to go with the machine at the cash price named, terms and time of delivery, etc., each bid to be sealed and addressed to the city clerk, and filed with him before the hour of 7 o'clock, October 24.

J. J. Laws and other owners of the frontage on Palmer avenue, presented a petition for the improvement of that street which was read and referred to the city engineer with instructions to establish the grade of the street, bring in map of the proposed improvement and an estimate of its cost.

Bids were ordered opened for the improvement of Eulalia avenue. The bid of Fred R. Sinclair was the only bid offered, and a resolution was adopted awarding him the contract for the work at the following rates:

Grading, per linear foot, 50 cents.
Oiling and tamping, per square foot, 3 cents.

Curb, per linear foot of cement curb, 23 cents.
Sidewalks, per square foot of sidewalk, 8 cents.

Under the head of oral communications, Mr. Friedgen of Park avenue, addressed the board in opposition to doing over the work that had been imperfectly done by the parties owning the frontage, and before the city's incorporation, between Brand boulevard and Central avenue. He admitted that some work was necessary in certain places, but when the petition was signed for the improvement by himself and others it was not with the understanding that the entire work heretofore done had to be done over again. The proposed improvement, with what the owners of the frontage had done before incorporation, was making the street in their block cost them nearly double what it should. With the exception of a spot or two the street could be made good enough with a little inexpensive surface work.

City Engineer Lynch explained that the work done heretofore on the street by private contract was very cheaply done, but the work was what the contract called for. The additional or new work proposed was necessary to make the street what it should be, as one of the principal cross streets of the city, and have it conform in character to the work everywhere else on the street. It was unfortunate, of course, that so poor a job had been done in the first place, but that was the fault of no one else but the then owners of the frontage. The work called for by the resolution of intention he was sure was necessary and he had estimated its cost at the going price for such work charged by contractors.

Trustee Webster said the work on the street had cost him a good deal of money, and if there was any way in which the board could fix the matter up to have its proposed improvement cost less and still give the city the kind of street it ought to be he would be glad to have the board do it. He suggested that the matter go over for another week to give the parties concerned a chance to talk the matter over further.

Mr. Maxwell concurred with Mr. Webster.

Under the same order of business Mr. Griffen addressed the board with reference to the opening and improvement of Acacia avenue from Brand boulevard to Central avenue, including the condemnation of the narrow Friedgen strip in the way of it.

Home Court is that part of Acacia avenue from Brand boulevard to its intersection of the east line of the lots fronting on Central avenue which have a depth of 227.5 feet. The Court street has a depth of 40 feet and has all been deeded to the city with the exception of the narrow Friedgen strip of a foot and a half in width and extending from one side of the street to the other upon which a fence is maintained for the purpose of keeping H. W. Meyers and his successors in the ownership of the lots to the west of it from passing over it. The strip is one and a half feet wide by forty feet long. Mr. Friedgen prizes it very highly. Not because of its intrinsic value, but because of its use in getting even with his neighbor, H. W. Meyers, for something the two had fallen out over, by reason of which Mr. Friedgen said he felt he had been damaged in the sum of \$1,000.

Mr. Griffen stated that Mr. Friedgen would be paid a reasonable price for the strip. He thought, however, that \$1,000 was rather steep. But Mr. Friedgen manifested no disposition to come down a single peg. He was informed by Mr. Bancroft, president of the board, that if he would open the Court street only at the end of condemnation proceedings he would get nothing for the strip in all probability and be out his attorney's fees and the cost of the proceedings.

Mr. Friedgen remarked that if the others would have the street opened through to Central avenue his fence across it would come down instantly. It would be of no use then, as Mr. Meyers and his successors would have access to a public street without crossing private property.

Mr. Friedgen refused to say yes or no to the question whether he would make a deed to his city for his strip and put it in escrow to be delivered on the condition that the street is opened through to Central avenue. He was willing to let his strip go in for opening the street clear through.

The matter was laid over for another week to enable the parties to think it over.

Trustee Webster, of the Committee of the Whole, to confer with L. C. Brand, the principal beneficiary of the trust created by the deeds of the Tropico Water company and the Glendale Consolidated company, in the matter of the sales of the properties of those companies, elsewhere advertised in this paper, as to his intentions and purposes and the premises, insofar as the interests of the city of Tropico and its inhabitants are concerned, reported that Mr. Brand had informed City Attorney Baker and himself that his idea and intention is to bid the entire property in for and on behalf of the cities of Glendale and Tropico, hold that of the Tropico Water company for Tropico, if the city wants it, and that of the Consolidated company in the city of Glendale for the city of Glendale, if its people want it.

A curious ordinance fixing the hour of 8 p.m. at which minors of tender age must be off the streets unless attended by parent or other adult attendant, was read a first and second

time and laid over for a third reading at next meeting.

Ordinance establishing grade of Boynton avenue and several other streets read a first and second time and laid over for a third reading.

Resolution adopted authorizing the city marshal to purchase reducers for fitting hose to hydrants for fire extinguishing purposes.

City attorney instructed to prepare and submit to the board a protest against the amendment of the constitution of the state providing for the consolidation of cities and counties by a majority vote of the territory proposed for consolidation, thus making it possible for a city with a large voting population like San Francisco or Los Angeles, to fasten its tentacles upon everything around it, far or near, by the simple power to out-vote its protesting victim.

* LOCAL AND PERSONAL *

Mrs. Harry S. Dosh, 120 East Cypress street, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Alfred C. H. Smith at Walbrook, Baltimore, Md. On her return home, which will be about the first of November, she will bring her mother, Mrs. Emma V. Owings, with her, Mrs. Owings, and her daughter Miss Ethel, who is now here at the home of Mrs. Dosh, will make their future home in Tropico.

The work of moving the old market house off the site it has so long occupied for the purpose of space between Hotel Tropico and the Logan Hall building for a substantial brick, began in earnest on Wednesday last.

Mr. Webster left yesterday (Monday) on a business trip to the Imperial Valley.

Lots in the Atwater Tract are held at \$550 and up each.

Tropico is just full to overflow of musical and theatrical talent.

The most lonely store in any town is the store that doesn't advertise in the local paper.

Who was the wandering Jew of the Schaeffer benefit in the monologue creation remains an absolute mystery.

The Thursday afternoon club of Tropico was entertained by Mrs. Clarence Goode at her home on Louise street in Glendale last Thursday afternoon. Civics, or the duties of citizenship, were the subjects of study and investigation, in which the club was instructively assisted by Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Rice-Wray, Cypress street, Tropico.

Citizens of Tropico must prepare themselves to enthrone for or against consolidation with Los Angeles. It is intimated in certain quarters that a counter proposition of consolidation with Glendale is to be simultaneously brought forward.

Mrs. Joseph Lois and children, of Butler, Pa., are house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Moniot, 414 West Tropico avenue.

Mrs. F. R. Jones, after several days with Mr. and Mrs. Al. Jones at their home on the San Fernando road, has returned to her home at Selma, Cal.

San Fernando road is to have its improvements completed with curbs and sidewalks in the very near future. With Glendale avenue on one side and San Fernando road on the other, the city will be flanked with two of the finest driveways in Los Angeles county.

Now, really, what great matter is it to anybody whether Tropico is annexed to either Los Angeles or Glendale? Will any considerable number of the citizens of the city be any the happier or more prosperous for it?

Dr. Andrew O. Conrad is rapidly getting the best of it in a stubborn siege with blood poisoning in one of his hands and is busy installing and equipping an office sanitarium on Broadway near Brand boulevard, Glendale.

The people of Tropico and Glendale see hopeful signs of getting their systems of water service into clean and fair-dealing hands in the course of a generation or two.

The meeting of the ladies of the community in the auditorium of the Presbyterian Church the afternoon of Sunday last under the auspices of the Philathea class, presided over by Miss Jean McNutt, was favored with an unusually interesting and instructive address by Mrs. Wheat of Los Angeles.

Some people never have any peace unless they are at war with somebody.

The Tropico Board of Trustees propose knocking the proposed consolidation amendment to the constitution, submitted on the initiative of the big cities and have instructed City Attorney Baker to fashion it with sharp protecting (k)nots.

H. Edgar Fry, of the Los Angeles Y. M. C. A. educational department, announces that the association's course in advertising for 1912-13 will open and class work begin next Friday night. The opportunities presented by this course of instruction in the advertising art should be embraced by every business man in sight.

It would seem that in the financial troubles which have overtaken the Glendale Consolidated Water company and Tropico Water company under the management of Ralph Rogers, they are in partnership with Occidental Park Tract in the Eagle Rock region. It seems that W. A. Roberts Rogers, Glassell and others who were mixed up in a syndicate for the promotion of Occidental Park and other property in that section, were operating with money raised by the hypothecation of the Consolidated company's bonds; that these operations resulted in failure such as is usual to the operations of some people. And now has come the day of reckoning.—Sic eunt fata.

Is your business advertised in the Interurban Sentinel? Perhaps not. Perhaps you are prospering without it; but there is no "perhaps" about your adding to your prosperity with it.

Five years is the limit of time given the City of Tropico by the Railroad Commissioners within which it may effect the purchase of the electric lighting system the Pacific Light and Power Corporation is about to install for supplying the inhabitants and streets of the City with electric lights. It is keenly suspected that one time will do as well as another so far as the City's ever availing itself of this opportunity to buy an electric lighting system is concerned.

W. F. Berkley, former manager of the Palace Meat Market of Pomona, has accepted a position in W. A. Chapman's Tropico Market. With uniform geniality, courtesy and fairness in his dealings with all, Mr. Berkley has in a very short time with Mr. Chapman, won to himself many friends with the citizens of Tropico.

MRS. EDGAR S. AYRES, TEACHER OF VIOLIN.

—Will take a limited number of pupils. Has had many years of experience, and is a thorough instructor. Her preparation studies were with the late Carlisle Petersilla, of Boston, Harley Hamilton and J. Bond Francisco.

Instruction in Orchestra and Ensemble Work.

Address 635 W. Park Ave., Tropico.

PIERRE GABAIG PASSES TO THE UNKNOWN BEYOND

Pierre Gabaig, born at Monien, Basse-Pyrenees, France, March 23, 1869; died at Clara Barton Hospital, Los Angeles, October 17, 1912. He was a citizen and prominent in the business life of Tropico. His wife, Celia Gabaig, nee Celia Penoges, and two sons, Albert and Louise survive him. Albert, aged 16, is a pupil of the Union High School of Tropico and Glendale; Louise, aged 14, of the Grammar School of Tropico. It is twenty-six years since Pierre Gabaig came to this vicinity to live, and nineteen years since he was married to Miss Penoges, whose father, now deceased, was a farmer near Burbank, and whose widow, Veuve Penoges, the mother of Mrs. Gabaig, has been living with the family a number of years past.

Mr. Gabaig was a farmer by occupation and strenuously industrious. Several years ago he invested of the proceeds of his farm labors in Tropico real estate. On the part fronting on Central avenue he established his home, where he has since resided and where his family still reside. On his San Fernando road possessions in the heart of the city's business section, he has made and was continuing to make, when death called him, some of the most valuable improvements of which the city can boast. Of these is the K. of P. hall building, the Gabaig block, on the ground floor of which are four large store rooms, a theater, and two smaller places of business.

Mr. Gabaig was a believer in Tropico and one of its most public spirited citizens. He was a man of sound business sense and quick to see the merits of any proposition for the social and industrial advancement of the community and lend it his substantial encouragement. The useful place the vivacious little Frenchman filled in the work of the city's advancement is vacant, and when it may be as well and worthily filled again a mysterious providence alone can direct.

In respect for his memory all the stores, the bank and places of business in the city were closed throughout the afternoon of the dead citizen's funeral on Monday last. The Knights of Pythias, of which order he was an enthusiastic member, took charge of his remains and conveyed them to their hall on the San Fernando road, where under a guard of honor they laid in state until borne to his grave in Forest Lawn Cemetery.

The funeral services were very impressive, consisting of the obsequial ceremony of the Knights of Pythias order.

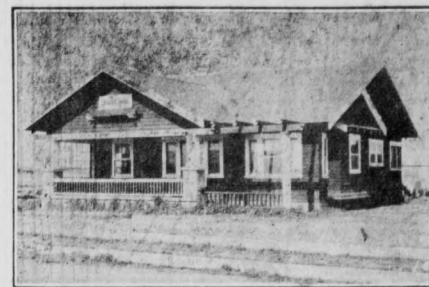
The pallbearers were James Rich, Samuel Pollock, Stuart M. Street, Charles Hunter, A. M. Watson, H. A. Jennings, C. A. Bancroft and F. H. Davis.

Honorary pallbearers were N. C. Burch, John A. Logan, W. H. Bullis, John Todd, Robert Devine, L. Capdeville, Geo. C. Melrose, Samuel Hunter, B. W. Richardson, Daniel Webster, A. V. Handorf, Paul Tuttle and James Moore.

We are furnished an object lesson of the folly of consolidation with Los Angeles from Glassell aPk, in the territory recently annexed thereto, to the south of Tropico. It will be recalled that in consideration of the vote of this and all other recently annexed territory to assume its proportion of the city debt they were to stand on the same footing as respected water service as the original city territory. But this plain and just agreement is now unfairly and dishonestly repudiated in the case of Mr. Newlin of Glassell Park, who is assessed \$800 for the extension of city water service to three houses in that locality of which houses he is the owner. Does Tropico want a pig in the poke?

J. J. BURKE

Contractor and Builder



Plans and Estimates Furnished

220
Blanche
Avenue
Tropico, Cal.

Tropico Pharmacy

G. C. Baker, Proprietor

Tropico's New Picture Theatre

THE STAR

Is to Open Sometime in the

First Week of November

Only high-class, licensed films will be shown.

Mostly Comedy, Drama, Industrial and Travel.

Pictures educational, instructive and amusing. Nothing of a demoralizing nature; nothing that you would not like to have your children see.

THURSDAY, OCT. 24

SPECIAL SALE

This month's offerings include lines much used at especially tempting prices.
Red Seal Gingham, 10c Per Yard—See Window Display.
36-INCH HAJAH SILK
Colors—Brown, Navy, Ponce, Sky and Grey—Sale Price, 50c Per Yard
MUSLIME SILK
Just Ten Pieces—Good Designs—\$1.25 Values.
Sale Price—79c Per Yard.
MUSLIN GOWNS
Neatly Trimmed—Full Size—High and Low Neck—Sale Price 40 Cents.

COATS
Lance Brand—Latest Models—Values to \$1.50—Your Choice at 90 Cents
For the benefit of customers unable to shop during regular hours, our store will be open for this sale until 8:30 P. M.

SCHILLINGS DRY GOODS STORE

Phone Glendale 713 409 SOUTH BRAND BOULEVARD, Glendale, Calif.

The Gem Furniture Store

W. H. HALL, PROP.

Third Street and Glendale Avenue.

New and used household goods. We want \$10,000 worth of second-hand goods. Phone 667, Party 1.

Tents, Awnings, Upholstery.

DAVIS GROCERY COMPANY

CASH GROCERS

Phone 288

Home 438

Our constantly increasing trade is due to our modern way of doing business. No solicitors, no collectors, no bookkeepers; this has eliminated all unnecessary expense, and enables us to deliver to your homes groceries for less than those who follow the old plan.

BUTTER.

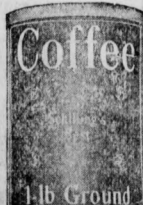
We consider ourselves fortunate in being the agents for the Famous Danish Creamery Butter. We began business with it and are staying right with it knowing it to be the very finest Butter sold in California. If you are particular about your butter, try a pound of Danish Creamery, and you will be satisfied.
Per lb.45c
Santa Ana, per lb.43c
Imperial Brand—Eastern, per lb.38c

Just Received

Sauer Kraut, 2 lbs.15c	Whole Cod Fish, per pound10c
Dill Pickles, per doz.15c	Cranberries, per qt.10c
New Almonds, per lb.23c	Comb Honey20c
Boneless Cod Fish, per pound20c	

Schillings Coffee

The Best	Money
40c	Back If
Goods on the Market	Not Satisfactory.



APPLES.

Now is the time to buy Apples. We have received a large shipment of Fancy 4-tier Bellfleurs.
6 lbs. for25c
Per Box\$1.10
This price is delivered to your home, and upon examination, if not satisfactory your money refunded.
Fancy Jonathans—Colorado stock—4 lbs.25c
Per box\$2.10

3 cans Carnation Milk, 25c
Large pkg. Carnation Mush25c
Large pkg. Postum20c
3 cans Tomatoes25c
3 cans Corn25c
Eagle Milk, per can.15c
2 pkgs. Grape Nuts25c

As a business institution, making our money and living out of the people of this city. We have always tried to do our part in all things that in our opinion were for the best interests of Tropico.

We advertise because it gets us business. We advertise in the Sentinel because it is a home paper.

We are known as Tropico Boosters. We believe that right here is the coming little city of the valley. In our opinion nothing is too good for Tropico.

POTATOES.

Northern Burbanks—a splendid Potatoe cooking dry and mealy. You will like them.
12 1/2 lbs.25c
Per 100 lbs.\$1.50

GIGARS & TOBACCO.

This department is well stocked with most of the leading brands.

CANDY.

We are making a special effort to please you in this line. Quality the very best.

BAKERY GOODS.

The well known Jevne Goods are kept here—both Bread and Pastry. Your order placed with us any day before 4 P. M. will be filled the following morning.
Holsum Bread. This popular Bread is delivered to us every evening in a big, fine sanitary auto. Ashton's famous Milk Brand Cakes and Pies are also on sale here.

COFFEE.

The Amber, packed and roasted by Folger, is our leading Brand—has been since we started in business, as it goes into more homes than any other coffee sold in Tropico. It needs but little boosting from us.

It is not our extensive buying capacity, but just our good LUCK that we have bought a large quantity of the coffee before the last advance we will sell as before.
Per lb.30c

FREE SAMPLES.

We have a limited supply of Free Samples of Washing Powder, Soap, etc., that we will be pleased to give you for the asking, as long as they last.

Glendale & San Fernando Road
Tropico, Bath, Plaster

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Six months\$.50
Three months\$.25
All subscriptions payable in advance.

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words to a line.

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contracts.

Wanted, For Sale, Etc., 5c per line.

No ad for less than 10c per issue.

Legal notices and publications, 6

point sold, 50 cents per column inch,

each insertion.

CITY TRUSTEES

C. A. Bancroft, President.

A. O. Conrad, John Hobbs,

Irving H. Oliver, Daniel Webster.

City Clerk, S. J. St. John.

City Treasurer, William E. Brown.

City Attorney, Frederick Baker.

City Engineer, Ed. M. Jones.

Emil F. Tholen, M. D., Health Offi-
cer.

C. L. Jennings, Building Inspector.

Street Supt., J. L. Fishback.

City Recorder, Geo. C. McIntire.

Township Justice, Geo. C. McIntire.

City Marshal, Louis W. Jones.

Board meets every Thursday at 7:30

P. M.

BOTH PHONES

Glendale 300 Home 1547

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1912.

The ideal life is like unto that of a

contented child. Knowing no evil, it

feels none.

The christian's battle of life, al-

ways on, is with temptation to get

away from the Golden Rule.

The home of happiness beyond the

grave is for those and only those who

love each other here. Imagine a home

in heaven with hatred in it.

Colonel Bryan and Governor Wilson

are vying with each other in the mak-

ing of appropriate comments on the

attempted assassination of Colonel

Roosevelt, and the saying of hand-

some things of the great leader and

the progressive cause he is leading.

"I came out to fulfill the engage-

ments of this week with a great re-

luctance, because my thought is con-

stantly of the gallant gentleman, ly-

ing in the hospital at Chicago. Mr.

Roosevelt did a vast deal to wake the

country to the problems that now have

to be settled, and that he should have

been stayed in his attempt to discuss

the settlements of these questions, by

a hand of violence is a thing which

every American must deeply deplore."

—Woodrow Wilson.

The Milwaukee assassin's bullet

aimed at the life of Colonel Roose-

velt that found lodgment in the Col-

onel's breast, seems to have resulted

in no greater harm to him personally

than a broken rib, followed by a

week's enforced suspension of his ac-

tivity in campaigning for the progress-

ives. Its harm was vastly more than

offset by the effect of its aim upon

the public mind, in arousing the at-

tention of the indifferent to the cause

the fearless and forceful leader of the

progressives is preaching, and in

awakening the people to the perils

and duties of the hour. Who knows,

and who shall judge of the mysterious

providence that surrounds the doing

of a dreadful deed and shapes its re-

sults?

HARD TO FOLLOW

We find it a little difficult to keep

up with our friend, Judge Works of

the United States Senate. The judge

refused to follow Roosevelt and

Johnson into a new party organiza-

tion. So did we. The judge was a

Republican. So were we. He was a

progressive. So were we. He sup-

ported Roosevelt for the Republican

nomination at Chicago. So did we, af-

ter finding our preference for La

Follette and Hadley impossible. He

refused his support to the Chicago

fraud and nomination of Taft. So

did we. He was free to support the

nomination of any other candidate,

without leaving the Republican party

to do so. So were we. He is deter-

mined he will not leave the Republi-

can party. So are we. Thus far we

journey together, in the same boat.

But here our differences begin. His

admiration for the Democratic ticket

and platform is greater than it is for

the progressive ticket and platform.

Our admiration is greater for the pro-

gressive ticket and platform than it is

for the Democratic ticket and plat-

form. And so we stand. Neither of

us has deserted the Republican party.

At least we have not. There is this

further difference, however: We are

supporting the ticket and platform our

party in California has endorsed. He

is not and is calling us naughty

names for not imitating his example.

Los Angeles and Tropico Consolida-

tion Proposed

A petition for the consolidation of

the cities of Los Angeles and Tropico

has been prepared. It is addressed to

the city council of the city of Los An-

geles and asks that the question

whether such consolidation shall be

effected and property in Tropico shall

be subject to taxation equally with

property in Los Angeles to pay the

bonded indebtedness of Los Angeles,

specified in the petition and amount-

ing to the sum of about \$35,000,000

be submitted to the qualified electors

of each of the respective cities, and

that a date be designated upon which

a special election shall be held in each

of said cities for the determination

of such question. We understand that

Mr. E. S. Ayres is circulating the peti-

tion for signatures in Los Angeles and

that as soon as the requisite number

of signatures is obtained there it will

be circulated for signatures here. To

effect the proposed consolidation, the

proposition must receive a majority

of the votes of the electors of Los An-

geles cast at the election and two-

thirds of the votes of the electors of

Tropico voting at such election here

in Tropico.

WATER SERVING PLANTS OF

TROPICO AND GLENDALE FOR

SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION.

The property of the Tropico Water

company will be sold at trustee's sale

to the highest bidder for cash on Sat-

urday, November 2, 1912. Mr. L. C.

Brand is the beneficiary of the deed

of trust under which this sale is to

be made, and the amount of his claim is

put at \$27,000. Mr. Brand assures the

trustees of the city of Tropico that

he will bid in the property and hold it

for the people of the city if they want

it.

The sale of the property of the

Glendale Consolidated Water com-

pany, under a decree and judgment of

foreclosure for the sum of \$597,208.33,

will follow on Wednesday, November

6, 1912. The part of the property de-

scribed in the judgment that lies in

the city of Glendale will also be bid

in by Mr. L. C. Brand for the people

of Glendale, if they want it.

It is sincerely hoped that the result

of these sales and subsequent munici-

pal negotiations with Mr. Brand will

be a final and satisfactory solution

and settlement of water service trou-

bles in both cities.

HARRY SCHAEFFER BENEFIT

Tropico has had its shows and

shows, but never before anything that

approached in excellence the vaude-

ville production on the occasion of

the Harry Schaeffer benefit last Wed-

nesday night, and what is best of all,

never before have the good people

of Tropico moved with more com-

mendable unanimity in the support

of a worthy purpose than then. Stand-

ing room was at a premium in the

spacious K. of P. hall, and many went

away sorrowing over their inability to

gain admittance.

The program was choice and spirit-

ed; for variety and quality was not to

be mentioned in the same breath with

any of the big vaudeville houses of

Los Angeles. It was far above the

commonplace. There was an utter

absence of the sensationalism and

slanderness usual to the vaudeville

stage. Every part was a "feature"

and was greeted with an encore.

Miss Elise Vance, one of Tropico's

efficient artists, presided at the piano.

Harry Marple, vocalist of local re-

nown, with Miss Katherine Hobbs, an-

other of Tropico's skilled pianists, as

accompanist, sang several selections

with pleasing effect.

Nash Apary, for all the world a

hungry hebrew, "brought down the

house" with numerous humorous hits.

Mantell, the marvelous, excited the

wonder of everybody by the success-

ful extrication of himself from the

handcuffs of City Marshall Gould and

several detectives in the audience,

three pair on his wrists and one pair

on his ankles and by squirming him-

self out of a straight-jacket fastened

by means of buckles impossible to

reach with his hands. How he suc-

ceeded in the performance of the se-

veral feats without the aid of unseen

spirits everybody is still guessing.

The Melvins (Mr. and Mrs. Ed.

Shipman) in the guise of clownish

jugglers and magicians gave a num-

ber of electrifying slight-of-hand per-

formances and exhibitions in magic.

Little Albert Steelman, rigged out

in the fashion of the wild west, gave

a surprising exhibition of skill in

rope spinning or whirling. The little

fellow has been justly accorded the

championship of the world in his

"line."

The singing, dancing and posturing

of three little misses, with Miss Anna

Steele in the lead, was received with

high favor and repeated encore.

The rendition by Ferdinand C.

Rigali, a young master of the violin,

of Schuman's Taumel, and Mow-

kowskie's Spanish Dance, was at once

a revelation and an inspiration. The

young man is a former pupil of Placi-

do Plunairi, the distinguished sym-

phony master of Boston, and his inter-

pretation on the violin of the great

composers was received with enthu-

siastic expressions of appreciation.

He was accompanied on the piano by

Miss Ellen Beach Cooper, an instru-

mentalist and vocalist of the highest

attainments. These young people are

recent acquisitions to Tropico circles.

They have their homes in the Angelus

Tract in South Tropico.

The concluding numbers of the

program were The People vs. John

Smith, a one-act drama with tragic

features, and "My Son From College,"

a one-act comedy, both written and

staged by Owen Rhodes, Tropico's

professional playwright. Space does

not allow us an extended notice of

these performances. Suffice to say

that the parts were well sustained

and ranked the players above the

average of amateurs. Willie Drou-

lard, as a pickinny, was the pet of

the pit. W. J. Hibbert was at home

in the part of a devout parson, as

were all the others in their respective

parts.

The net result of the benefit is a

deposit to the credit of Harry Schae-

ffer in the Bank of Tropico of the sum

of \$135.

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MARVEL OF MUNICIPAL PROGRESS

(From "Prosperity Editorial," Los Angeles Examiner, October 1, 1912.)

"Tropico—five miles as the crow flies from the plaza in Los Angeles—

is the newer of the great city's sisters. Incorporated as a city of the sixth

class on March 15, 1911, then boasting a population of 1600, it has grown by

leaps and bounds until now the most conservative estimates credit it with

2500 people. One hundred and seventy-five new homes have gone up since the

date of incorporation, representing a valuation of \$265,000, and it is esti-

mated that one new residence is being finished every working day of the

present month.

"At the time of incorporation Tropico had an assessed valuation of

\$600,000—this, of course, being based upon an average of one-third the actual

value. Assessment rolls for the current year show an increase of \$200,000

in round figures.

"Ten miles of sidewalks have been built in the eighteen months since

incorporation; six and one-half miles of paved streets have been laid. Before

incorporation there were but few scattered sidewalks and little curbing. Now

the city has a thoroughly up-to-date appearance.

"A complete street lighting system is in course of installation, which

will be ready for use by November 1. Besides this, the municipality has

succeeded in reducing the car fare from Los Angeles for one way ride from

15 cents to 10 cents, with a promise of five-cent fares within a short time.

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